

#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Members of the House Tax Policy Committee

From:

Dan Papineau, Michigan Chamber of Commerce

Date:

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Subject:

SB 1097 - State Tax Liability for Michigan Businesses to Rise Due to Federal

Tax Reform

Since the Federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act passed at the end of 2017, Michigan businesses have been working to fully understand all the consequences of the massive reform. Now that the law is 9 months old and the Internal Revenue Service has been working around the clock to provide clarifying guidance, the focus has now shifted to analyzing state tax consequences of the federal reform.

One area that will have the greatest impact on a business's state tax liability is the new limitation on the amount of interest expenses that can be deducted from corporate income.

Under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act businesses were limited in the amount of interest expenses that can be deducted from corporate income. This broadened the tax base allowing more income to be taxable. The federal tax reform included a significant rate reduction to more than make up for the base broadening, thereby still resulting in a tax cut on the federal level.

Michigan uses the federal tax base when calculating our state's Corporate Income Tax. The same tax base that was expanded by limiting the amount of interest that can be deducted from corporate income. Michigan will not be lowering our rate to make up for the base expansion and therefore, Michigan businesses will see an inadvertent increase in their state tax liability.

SB 1097 will allow Michigan businesses to disregard the interest expense deduction limitation when calculating corporate income and allow a business to avoid their tax base from expanding leaving their state tax liability untouched. This will put Michigan businesses in the same situation they were prior to federal tax reform.

Please support SB 1097.

Sincerely,

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## Foreign Direct Investment Supports the

# JOBS MICHIGAN NEEDS



QUALITY JOBS

**238,100** workers in Michigan are employed as a result of global investment - an increase of over **60 percent** since 2010.

MANUFACTURING

**155,700** workers in Michigan - **65 percent** of all FDI jobs in the state - are in the **manufacturing sector**.

**GLOBALLY CONNECTED** 

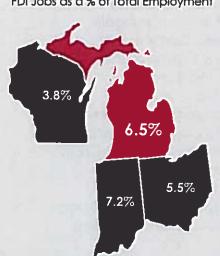
Among all global employers, those from **Germany**, **Japan** and the **Netherlands** support the largest number of jobs in Michigan.

MANY EMPLOYERS

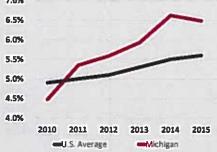
Nearly 1,000 global employers have operations in Michigan.

#### GLOBAL INVESTMENT CONTRIBUTES TO MICHIGAN'S ECONOMY

Michigan vs. Its Neighbors FDI Jobs as a % of Total Employment



Michigan vs. USA
FDI Jobs as a % of Total Employment
7.0%
6.5%



Michigan beats the national average in its portion of jobs supported by global investment.

In the past five years,
Michigan's FDI employment...



while the state's overall private-sector employment



13.1%

### GLOBAL INVESTMENT SUPPORTS THE JOBS THAT AMERICA NEEDS

\$80,000

**Good Paying Jobs.** Across the nation, U.S. workers at global companies earn 24 percent higher compensation than the economy-wide average - making \$79,040 annually.

6.8 MILLION

**Record Number of FDI Jobs.** Nationally, 6.8 million U.S. workers are employed by global investment. In fact, these workers produce 23 percent of all U.S. exports.

2.5 MILLION

**Strong Manufacturing Jobs.** More than two million U.S. workers at global companies earn their living in the manufacturing sector - that is 37 percent of all FDI jobs.

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